

Message Reflection Guide

E-Eat | Mark 2:13-17



Conversation Starter

What is one of your most memorable shared meal experiences, and why?

1. Jesus is Instinctual

Read Mark 2:14. How do you see Jesus modeling responsiveness to the Holy Spirit in calling Matthew? Where else in Scripture do we see Jesus acting instinctually in ministry?

How can we become more attentive to opportunities to extend hospitality in our daily lives, even if they aren't part of our "schedule"?

2. Jesus is Intentional

Jesus dined with tax collectors and sinners despite the criticism he received. How does this reflect his mission in Mark 2:15-17? How should this inform how we engage with those outside the church?

Who in your life would benefit from intentional time around a table? How can you practice being more intentional about meals as a way to build relationships?

3. Jesus is Invitational

Matthew didn't just meet Jesus—he invited others to encounter him. What does this say about the role of community in discipleship? How can hospitality be a tool for evangelism?

How can you create an invitational culture in your life, whether through meals or other shared experiences? What practical steps can you take to make someone feel welcome?

Challenge

Look at your meal schedule this week. Choose **one meal** to share with someone on your BLESS list—whether it's at work, home, or a coffee shop. Be intentional in listening to their story.

Pray for your BLESS list(s).